

Whereas the rose is grown today in every State in the United States;

Whereas the rose has long been used to symbolize love, friendship, beauty, peace, and the devotion of the people of the United States to their Nation;

Whereas the rose has been cultivated and grown in gardens for over 5,000 years, and is referred to in both the Old and New Testaments;

Whereas the rose has for many years captivated the affection of humankind and it has been revered in art, music, and literature;

Whereas George Washington was a breeder of roses and one of his varieties, named after his mother, is still grown today;

Whereas in 1986 the rose was designated as the national floral emblem of the United States; and

Whereas the American Rose Society has designated 2002 as the Year of the Rose: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring),*  
That the Congress—

(1) supports the goals of the Year of the Rose; and

(2) encourages the President to issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to observe the year with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Agreed to December 20, 2001.

Dec. 20, 2001  
[H. Con. Res. 295]

## ADJOURNMENT—HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE

*Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring),*  
That when the House adjourns on the legislative day of Thursday, December 20, 2001, or Friday, December 21, 2001, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand adjourned sine die, or until Members are notified to reassemble pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first; and that when the Senate adjourns at the close of business on Thursday, December 20, 2001, or Friday, December 21, 2001, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand adjourned sine die, or until Members are notified to reassemble pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first.

SEC. 2. The Speaker of the House and the Majority Leader of the Senate, acting jointly after consultation with the Minority Leader of the House and the Minority Leader of the Senate, shall notify the Members of the House and the Senate, respectively, to reassemble at such place and time as they may designate whenever, in their opinion, the public interest shall warrant it.

Agreed to December 20, 2001.